



Haileybury Malta

Year 4 Curriculum

Homework

Children are expected to learn and practise their times tables and their related division facts so they can answer confidently and with fluency. We expect children to read each night with an adult, please record pages read and sign in their reading diary.

They will also be given a spelling list each week which ideally should be learned and practised each day. Any homework given to your children will be noted in their school diary. Homework may be completed at Homework Club after school. Diaries are to be initialled by a parent or guardian each day or by the duty member of staff at Homework Club.

All pupils should have a suitable reading book with them at school each day.

Field Trips

During the year children will undertake field trips in order to enhance and extend the curriculum. These will normally take place during regular school hours and the dates can be found in the school calendar.

Curriculum

Curriculum Year 4 finds the children building on the strong foundations laid down in Year 3. Skills and concepts in each subject are consolidated and new ones are introduced and developed mainly in accordance with the British National Curriculum requirements for Key Stage 2.

As the year progresses, the children should be aiming to concentrate their efforts more fully on the task in hand so that they develop a sense of pride in their work, as well as a determination to achieve their personal best. These skills combine to help them develop a more independent approach.

Topics

Subject	Autumn	Spring	Summer
Science	Electricity Movement and growth	Solids, liquids and gases Keeping warm	Habitats Forces and Friction
History	Gods and Goddesses Athens and Sparta	Persian Wars The Great Siege	Romulus and Remus Mdina
Geography	Natural Disasters South America	The Environment Using an Atlas	Coasts
RS	Jesus as a Child	Hinduism	Introduction to Philosophy

Information and Communication Technology (ICT)

Pupils in Year 4 will build upon their coding skills and learn how to make simple websites and create content. ICT will be used as an effective cross-curricular tool that pupils know how to use responsibly and safely.

Languages

Pupils in the Prep School will have the opportunity to learn Maltese and Spanish.

Learning Support

Haileybury is a non-selective school, and we welcome children who may require some additional support. We believe that the strengths of every child should be celebrated, and it is understood that some may require specific tools or learning interventions at different stages of their journey through the school to achieve their best. The Learning Support staff work closely with both class teachers and parents. Please contact the Head of Learning Support and SENDCo, should you have any queries regarding learning support.

Online Learning Platform

Pupils will be using an Online Learning Platform. Your child will be given a login by the end of the first week (this will be recorded inside their diary) and teachers will show the children how to navigate the system.

Sport

It is also important to stress that we encourage the children to play sport for enjoyment whilst performing to the best of their abilities. We should be mindful that they are not professionals, but children embarking on a sporting journey. They need encouragement and support. Please help us to create an environment that will allow them to flourish and enjoy sport.

The Arts

Music, Drama and Art are timetabled curriculum subjects and are just as important as the core subjects. Pupils are encouraged to explore their talents in these areas.

Reporting to Parents

Autumn Term – there will be Parent Interviews towards the start of term, and you will receive one set of assessment grades at the end of term which detail your child's progress.

Spring Term – you will receive one set of assessment grades at the end of term and there will be Parent Interviews.

Summer Term – you will receive one set of exam results and a full End of Term Report on all subjects.

Communication

Please note that teaching staff rarely have the opportunity to read or reply to email during the course of the school day as they are busy teaching your children, so do please allow a reasonable amount of time before expecting a reply. Any urgent messages should be conveyed through the school office.

We are always happy to see you regarding any worries or concerns. We prefer to feel that we are all working together and if queries are dealt with at an early stage then any issues can be kept to a minimum and both you and your children can look forward to a happy and productive year.